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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated October 31, 2008, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

Petition for a Two-month Extension of Time and the required fee accompany this paper.